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ABOUT TOWN.

Mr. H. J. Sayre returned home last month improved in health.

Mrs. Sadie V. Tassel is spending the winter in Philadelphia.

A roller skating rink has been opened in Cedar Hall, Montclair.

Miss D. Smith has returned from

Monte Carlo for a sewing society—As you also shall ye rip.

"A bore"—A man who wants to talk about himself when you want to talk about him.

The Westminster Sunday school will hold its annual Christmas festival New Years eve.

The German Sunday school had a good Christmas night with a Christmas tree and accompanying festivities.

Samuel Moore will return home in Europe next May instead of this winter as first expected to do.

The Watessing Brass Band will hold its first annual ball at Metz's assembly room New Years eve.

The Sunday school Teachers' Normal Association will meet in Park M. E. Chapel during the month of January.

Find the wicked stand on slippery ground probably accounts for the very few accidents that have occurred on Mr. Peter's side-street.

John refused to speak the truth over the devil because he did not hurt his Majesty's feelings, was taken.

Feyser, in Adam Bedföd, says that man is like the cock in her which seemed to think the sun morning just to hear him crow.

Sunday school of the First Presbyterian Church celebrated Christmas with presents to children in two missions of the South and West.

Contracts have been made for the two frame houses on Liberty Street the residence of Mr. George C. Dawkins, brother of our

Lewis Dawkins, has returned to from his western home, the climate not being beneficial to his health.

Bloomfield bachelors proposed to a club, but when they all got together concluded to remain a bundle.

They might do for jack-straws will never make good matches.

sidewalks at the new hotel is still poor condition. Why cannot the Committee make it passable until we will permit them to lower it to

it.

It only comes once a year and that of it. If it came every six editors of the Citizen would be to have an auction to dispose of it.

Samuel Carl wishes his friends to know that his burglar alarm working order, and he has two with an experienced man to handle.

The seventh attempt to enter his undoubtedly be exciting.

May Frances, of Brooklyn, a good attractive elocutionist of rare skill give a reading in the Reformed at Brookdale on Monday evening, for the benefit of the Sunday-

we cows are so cheap it would be for the D. L. & W. express to come to use during the holidays, instead of the alleged horse now its Bloomfield wagon. The cow certainly make better time.

(German) Bloomfield Lodge, No. K. of H., have chosen the following for the next year: John Kirchner, V. D.; Eggnols Reusig, Adam Metz, P.D.; John Hermann, Henry Stewart, R.; John Jaeger, C.; John Guthmuller, John Bickler, G.

We often hear housekeepers complain with that kind of music heard much to delight the ear.

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Judge Depue has grown tired of waiting for the decision of the Court of Chancery in the contempt proceedings against the managers of the Newark Savings Institution, and has laid the matter before the Grand Jury.

There has been opened at Petit's Hair Store, 10 Bank street, Newark, a department of stamping and embroidery. Ladies may here find a fine line of patterns and every variety of embroidery materials. Lessons are given free when materials are purchased at this store.

The youth who called at our office last week singing, "Oh, when shall the harvest be," was politely informed that the crop was all in for this year, and we were now ready to begin threshing. He said he would wait till next year before asking any more questions.

Rev. Chas. E. Knox, D. D., delivered another lecture in his course on the ancient history of Bloomfield and vicinity at Mount Chair on Monday evening. The subject was: "The Revolution and General Bloomfield." The next lecture will be given next Monday evening, on the subject, "The separate settlement; the Town-Name, and the Beginning of the Churches."

George Hummel, an employee of Peloubet & Co.'s office, met with a serious accident on Tuesday evening, by accidentally stepping into a pail of boiling water, at his home on New street. He immediately thrust it into a tub of cold water, which undoubtedly lessened the injury. He was assisted into the house, and when his stocking was removed, the skin adhered to it, leaving a very ugly and painful wound. He is now doing as well as can be expected.

The Freundshafsbund, a German benevolent association, of Bloomfield, held its annual meeting last Friday evening, and elected the following officers for the next year: President, George Frederick Geib; Vice-President, George Buechner; Secretary, Henry Menser; Treasurer, Jacob Mayer; Financial Secretary, Peter Fornoff; Finance Committee, Martin Hammel, John Kirchner and John Menser.

Eastern Star Lodge, K. and L. of H., elected the following officers who will be installed at the first regular meeting in January: Jane C. Gregory, P. P.; William Hoffman, P.; Theresa Bosch, V. P.; Max Koehler, Secretary; George Peterson, F. S.; W. J. Rabb, Treasurer; Anna Jenkins, Chaplain; M. R. Caubrook, Guide; John Caubrook, Guardian; C. Mergner, Sentinel; Thos. Henderson, Albert Bosch and A. K. Rabb, Trustees.

As a token of respect and esteem for their employer, the carpenters employed by Mr. Charles M. Lockwood presented him with an expensive pair of fur driving gloves on Christmas eve. The recipient was completely surprised, and returned his thanks as well as he was able. He now desires to make a public acknowledgment of his appreciation of the gift and the motives prompting it.

We trust that our worthy townsmen, the President of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company, of Newark, will see to having Library Hall light and comfortable before another entertainment is given there.

With the many leaks at the cornices and windows, broken panes of glass and but one furnace, it is simply impossible to either get it or keep it warm. We notice some improvements going on, and we trust they will make it comfortable inside at the same time.

We hear "Essex" have in contemplation a Bazaar and entertainment in February next, with many and varied attractions that could not be secured last year. If they do they will find their friends ready to give them a helping hand; for not only were the many gatherings together last year pleasant in a social way, but the results obtained were used for the public good, as the bell tower, bell and other improvements show.

Concert.

An evening of greater pleasure than that given us by the New York Philharmonic Club, it would be difficult to imagine. From the delicate, fairy-like music of the "Midsummer Night's Dream" to the inspiring melodies of the wild Slavonic dance, it was a feast and a delight to everyone in the audience. There is nothing for us to criticise in the playing of the artists who composed the club.

Since the days of the famous Mason & Thomas Quintette, which probably is beyond the memory of even our "oldest inhabitant," we have had nothing so fine in New York, in the way of chamber music, and we do not propose to offer any criticism on an entertainment that was so eminently satisfactory and which gave so much pleasure to all who had the opportunity of listening to it. The selections were admirable, and so tuneful that even those not familiar

with that kind of music heard much to delight the ear.

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Both Mr. Schenck and Mr. Arnold very kindly responded to the recalls, with selections quite equal to the numbers advertised.

Mr. Arnold following the brilliant "Airs Hongrois" with an exquisite Adagio of Vieuxtemps.

The flute is not often heard now in the concert-room, but played as Mr. Weiner played it, we could not listen to it too often.

The *calzona* was something of a gymnastic performance, delicately rendered, and the mingling of the two familiar national melodies was as interesting as it was musical.

For Mrs. Annie Louise Tanner, who so pleasantly and gracefully added her share of the evening's entertainment, we have only praise. Her voice, a light soprano, was clear, true and flexible, and as sweet as a bird's. She generously doubled her work in answering the recalls, sparing us the backhanded "Home, sweet home," "Comin' thro' the Rye," etc., that have come to be such a trial to listen to, and giving instead Arditi's Daisy Polka and "Let me Dream Again," by Sullivan.

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don't give us the Philharmonic Club all the time!

Concert by the Boy Choir.

Notwithstanding the unpleasant weather of Monday evening last, a large audience gathered in the Methodist Episcopal Church to listen to the concert which had been provided by Professor Cranmer, of Jersey City. A boy choir of twelve voices, assisted by St. Paul's Choral Union, rendered a very acceptable programme of anthems and choruses. They also rendered by especial request "The Old Folks at Home."

The duet of Mrs. Francis and Miss Wiggins, "My Faith looks up to Thee," is especially deserving of attention. Aside from the beauty of the melody, the extraordinary compass attained by the soprano, Mrs. Francis, was listened to with rapt attention, there being not a break nor false note to detract from the beauty. Miss Board assisted with a recitation, as did also Prof. Will C. Carl, of our town, with a piano solo.

Broad Street Improvement.

The contractor for the work done on Broad street has received many words of commendation for the same. But there are always some who seem to think they should receive two dollars' worth of benefit for every dollar expended. No road of the kind will ever be built again for the same money, viz., three cents a square foot.

We know that the contractor, Mr. McDowell, lost money, and also that more stone was put on than the contract called for. The Town Committee have judiciously spent the money that was applicable for this purpose (about \$500). Mr. McDowell tells us he is perfectly willing to put a certain amount of money in advertising, but to be unjustly criticised by those who know nothing of the contract or the nature of the work to be done is not only unfair to him but also to the Town Committee, who have started an improvement in roads that it would have been economical to do ten years ago. Let us hope that the contractor, Mr. McDowell, will be paid for the work he did.

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